

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 2004 – 0800 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 3**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was heavy in the Southern California Area, moderate in the Eastern Great Basin Area and light elsewhere. Nationally, 199 new fires were reported. Three new large fires were reported in the Southern California Area. Two large fires were contained, one each in the Northwest and Eastern Great Basin Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

POT PEAK/SISI RIDGE COMPLEX, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 1 Interagency Incident Management Team (Lohrey) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Pot Peak, SiSi Ridge and Deep Harbor fires is 15 miles northwest of Chelan, WA in timber. Fire activity was minimal to moderate across the complex.

FREEZEOUT, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. A Washington State Interagency Incident Management Team (Jennings/Perry) is assigned. This fire is 65 miles northeast of Bellingham, WA in timber. Fire behavior could not be observed due to weather conditions.

RATTLESNAKE PEAK, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Bonefeld) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident, located 40 miles west of Yakima, WA in timber, is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Elevated relative humidity levels resulted in minimal fire activity.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
POT PEAK/SISI RIDGE COMPLEX	WA	OWF	45,970	85	8/20	661	15	22	9	3	18.3M
FREEZEOUT	WA	OWF	566	17	UNK	98	0	0	4	0	1.1M
RATTLESNAKE PEAK – WFU	WA	OWF	738	N/A	N/A	83	0	0	3	0	268K
REDWOOD HWY	OR	71S	200	100	---	46	2	2	0	11	250K

71S = Southwest Oregon District, Oregon Department of Forestry

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:

CAPRI LAKE, Bitterroot National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Carlson) is assigned. This fire is 14 miles south of Conner, MT in timber. Small wind driven runs and individual tree torching was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
CAPRI LAKE	MT	BRF	200	15	8/13	237	10	0	3	0	350K

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

CORN, Salmon-Challis National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Saleen) is assigned. This fire is located 37 miles northwest of Salmon, ID in heavy dead and down timber. Active fire behavior was observed in the interior due to lower relative humidity levels and higher winds.

WESTSIDE COMPLEX, Dixie National Forest. A transfer of command from a Type 1 incident management team (Martin) to a Type 3 organization will occur today. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident, located 12 miles southwest of Enterprise, UT in sagebrush, grass and timber, is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Aerial monitoring is in place.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
CORN	ID	SCF	205	80	8/8	250	6	2	4	0	930K
WESTSIDE COMPLEX – WFU	UT	DIF	4,800	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	320K
HAWKINS	UT	DIF	35,292	100	---	248	5	5	3	0	2.8M

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

ARMSTRONG, Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. This fire is 13 miles east of San Andreas, CA in brush and pine. Extreme fire behavior with rapid rates of spread and medium range spotting was reported. Evacuations are in effect for the community of Sheep Ranch and the Mineral Mountain subdivision.

COPPER, Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. This fire is 18 miles south of San Andreas, CA in oak woodland and brush. Torching and long range spotting was observed. Evacuations are in effect for the Diamond subdivision and the Saddle Creek Golf Course.

MASONIC, Merced-Mariposa Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. This fire is one mile southwest of Mariposa, CA in oak woodland and brush. No further information was received.

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ARMSTRONG	CA	TCU	350	10	UNK	398	12	37	1	0	NR
COPPER	CA	TCU	300	10	8/7	NR	1	25	2	0	NR
MASONIC	CA	MMU	120	60	8/7	177	7	17	1	0	NR

ALASKA AREA LARGE FIRES:

BOUNDARY, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is 20 miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK in black spruce and tundra. Fire behavior was minimal with occasional torching in the interior. Crews rehabilitated approximately five miles of dozer line.

TAYLOR HIGHWAY COMPLEX, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This complex, comprised of the Billy Creek, Gardiner Creek, Chicken and Porcupine fires, is 35 miles northwest of Tok, AK in black spruce and tundra. The Porcupine fire reported running and spotting; the Billy Creek fire made multiple large runs; the Gardiner fire experienced backing with torching.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BOUNDARY	AK	FAS	503,362	35	UNK	133	2	3	1	30	16.6M
TAYLOR HIGHWAY COMPLEX	AK	TAS	842,402	15	UNK	143	5	2	3	6	6.5M

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

TROY CANYON, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest. This fire is 70 miles southwest of Ely, NV in timber, and is being managed using a confine/contain strategy. Smoldering, creeping and isolated tree torching was observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
TROY CANYON	NV	HTF	1,888	10	10/7	38	0	1	1	0	184K

EASTERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

SECTION 33, Voyageurs National Park. A Fire Use Management Team (Hall) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident, located 25 miles southeast of International Falls, MN in balsam, spruce and pine, is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. A continued drying trend increased fire behavior.

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SECTION 33 - WFU	MN	VOP	1,409	N/A	N/A	59	2	0	0	0	265K

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

BEEFSTEAK, White River Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident, located 12 miles west of Meeker, CO in pinyon pine, juniper and sagebrush, is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BEEFSTEAK-WFU	CO	WRD	273	N/A	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	70K

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: A low pressure system will cross Montana, while high pressure builds elsewhere over the West. The West will be dry except for some showers and thunderstorms from Montana southward to Arizona and New Mexico. A strong ridge of high pressure will bring very warm weather, low humidity and a few thunderstorms to the interior of Alaska.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
NORTHWEST AREA Sunny, warmer and drier. Isolated morning showers in northeast Oregon.	East of the Cascades: 70s to lower 80s. West of the Cascades: 60s coast. 70s to lower 80s inland.	East of the Cascades: 15 to 30%. West of the Cascades: 25 to 50%.	Northwest 10 to 15 mph. Gusts to 30 mph southern Oregon coast.
EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Mostly sunny and 5 to 10 degrees cooler with lighter winds. Utah, Arizona Strip: Mostly sunny in the valleys and partly cloudy mountains with a drying trend. Isolated thunderstorms in central and northern Utah; widely scattered in southern Utah and the Arizona Strip.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 61 to 72 mountains. 73 to 85 valleys. Utah and Arizona Strip: 70 to 87 mountains. 88 to 103 valleys. 103 to 109 Lake Mead.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 17 to 30% mountains. 8 to 24% valleys. Utah, Arizona Strip: 13 to 27% mountains. 9 to 20% valleys.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: West to northwest 5 to 15 mph. Utah, Arizona Strip: Upslope/upvalley 5 to 10 mph.
SOUTHWEST AREA Partly to mostly cloudy. Scattered thunderstorms in eastern Arizona, New Mexico and west Texas.	60s to 70s mountains. 80s to 90s lower elevations. 100 to 110 Arizona deserts.	15 to 30% lower elevations. 20 to 40% mountains.	West to northwest 5 to 15 mph Arizona and western New Mexico. Mostly south to southeast 10 to 20 mph eastern New Mexico and west Texas.
NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA West Half: Mostly sunny. East Half: Isolated thunderstorms.	West half: 75 to 85. East Half: 80s. Mountains: 70s.	West half: 25 to 40%. East half: 20 to 35%.	West half: Northwest 5 to 15 mph. East half: Southeast 10 to 15 mph becoming northwest 5 to 15 mph.
ALASKA AREA Eastern Interior: Mostly sunny.	Eastern Interior: 70s to mid 80s.	Eastern Interior: 18 to 33%.	Eastern Interior: Variable to 10 mph.
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Areas of morning low clouds and fog coastal areas. Otherwise sunny.	70 to 80 coastal areas. 80 to 95 mountains. 90 to 100 valleys. 95 to 105 upper deserts. 105 to 115 lower deserts.	10 to 20% valleys. 8 to 20% mountains. 8 to 15% deserts.	Southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph.
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Mostly sunny, except areas of fog and low clouds near the coast.	60s coast. 70s to mid 80s higher elevations. Mid 80s to mid 90s inland valleys.	8 to 18%, driest inland valleys.	Southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph with gusts in coastal areas to 25 mph.
ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA Isolated thunderstorms over Colorado and eastern South Dakota.	Upper 80s to lower 90s. 70s to 80s mountains.	Less than 20% across much of Wyoming, western and eastern Colorado.	Southerly 10 to 30 mph over the eastern plains. Westerly 15 to 25 across western Wyoming. Variable 5 to 15 mph elsewhere.



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SPOT WEATHER FORECAST

Spot weather forecasts should be requested for those fires that have potential for extreme fire behavior, exceed initial attack, or are located in areas where Red Flag Warnings have been issued.

● Basic elements needed for a spot weather forecast include:

- Name of fire and management agency
- Request time and date
- Location by ¼ section
- Drainage name
- Exposure
- Size
- Elevation (top and bottom)
- Fuel type
- Fire character (ground, crown, etc.)
- Weather conditions (place, elevation, observation time, wind direction, wind velocity, dry bulb, wet bulb, remarks)

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		0	0		1		1
	ACRES		650	3,000		2,687		6,337
Northwest	FIRES	1	8			18	7	34
	ACRES	1	15			2	5	23
Northern California	FIRES					11	4	15
	ACRES					0	0	0
Southern California	FIRES					15	1	16
	ACRES					14	0	14
Northern Rockies	FIRES	6	7			6	18	37
	ACRES	72	22			45	58	197
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	11			14	12	39
	ACRES	15	156			18	12	201
Western Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						20	20
Southwest	FIRES					1	4	5
	ACRES					0	0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		7			19	3	29
	ACRES		7			36	10	53
Eastern Area	FIRES					18		18
	ACRES					0		0
Southern Area	FIRES					2	2	4
	ACRES					32	1	33
TOTAL	FIRES	9	33	0	0	105	52	199
	ACRES	88	850	3,000	0	2,834	106	6,878

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	5	57	66	19	367	9	523
	ACRES	6,065	1,081,711	1,054,945	29,341	2,287,009	1	4,459,072
Northwest	FIRES	276	193	28	32	1,234	780	2,543
	ACRES	17,926	2,177	488	57	8,038	41,054	69,740
Northern California	FIRES	86	32	9	24	1,825	730	2,706
	ACRES	120	421	2	2	13,735	5,790	20,070
Southern California	FIRES	35	69	19	38	2,142	463	2,766
	ACRES	667	5,072	1,866	29	55,705	5,842	69,181
Northern Rockies	FIRES	869	57	18	10	617	526	2,097
	ACRES	4,888	1,432	1,061	3	14,653	4,668	26,705
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	34	658	6	32	340	479	1,549
	ACRES	93	28,389	11	34	5,073	45,012	78,612
Western Great Basin	FIRES	11	424	5	11	61	86	598
	ACRES	153	15,766	2,660	0	6,043	6,596	31,218
Southwest	FIRES	584	119	4	65	617	1,260	2,649
	ACRES	5,021	4,861	201	513	6,881	286,508	303,985
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	298	385	32	37	347	325	1,424
	ACRES	4,009	4,125	1,168	31	20,537	4,370	34,240
Eastern Area	FIRES	489		47	28	7,225	438	8,227
	ACRES	5,094		2,335	109	56,733	5,599	69,870
Southern Area	FIRES	129		56	42	24,340	562	25,129
	ACRES	15,802		7,544	1,067	312,981	73,184	410,578
TOTAL	FIRES	2,816	1,994	290	338	39,115	5,658	50,211
	ACRES	59,838	1,143,954	1,072,281	31,186	2,787,388	478,624	5,573,271

Ten Year Average Fires	55,464
Ten Year Average Acres	2,647,714

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PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1	1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		10					10
Eastern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						11	11
Southern Area	FIRES				1		1	2
	ACRES				3,000		100	3,100
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	0	1	0	3	5
	ACRES	0	10	0	3,000	0	112	3,122

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					2,097		2,097
Northwest	FIRES	38	78	43	1		255	415
	ACRES	7,626	6,823	3,781	30		58,229	76,489
Northern California	FIRES	14	39	96	18		183	350
	ACRES	251	731	14,138	2,690		22,617	40,427
Southern California	FIRES		4	20	10		76	110
	ACRES		27	1,686	718		6,213	8,644
Northern Rockies	FIRES	37	8	74	3	45	367	534
	ACRES	1,885	2,631	12,502	1,046	3,066	42,535	63,665
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	23	3	3	17	46	93
	ACRES	149	7,352	547	1,102	1,490	17,715	28,355
Western Great Basin	FIRES		5	5			5	15
	ACRES		85	541			971	1,597
Southwest	FIRES	14	15	7	10		281	327
	ACRES	2,796	4,844	12,769	7,779		66,197	94,385
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	42	40	138	18	12	113	363
	ACRES	5,117	11,861	21,434	13,264	3,947	45,672	101,295
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		366	23	1,065	187	1,661
	ACRES	14,454		42,524	4,443	73,597	28,182	163,200
Southern Area	FIRES	51		204	75	393	1,110	1,833
	ACRES	8,503		91,851	70,652	212,745	995,651	1,379,402
TOTAL	FIRES	217	212	956	161	1,537	2,623	5,706
	ACRES	40,781	34,354	201,773	101,724	296,942	1,283,982	1,959,556

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				3			3
	ACRES				52,266			52,266
Northwest	FIRES		34		2		48	84
	ACRES		0		1		516	517
Northern California	FIRES				1		3	4
	ACRES				15		0	15
Southern California	FIRES				5		2	7
	ACRES				4,309		222	4,531
Northern Rockies	FIRES				9		27	36
	ACRES				0		43	43
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1		32	33
	ACRES				0		4,912	4,912
Western Great Basin	FIRES		10		2			12
	ACRES		493		0			493
Southwest	FIRES				5		19	24
	ACRES				244		9,667	9,911
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		19		1	0	4	24
	ACRES		6,995		0	2,271	612	9,878
Eastern Area	FIRES				4		1	5
	ACRES				4,090		1	4,091
Southern Area	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				3,007			3,007
TOTAL	FIRES	0	63	0	34	0	136	233
	ACRES	0	7,488	0	63,932	2,271	15,973	89,664

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	14	0	1,718	178,744
Yukon Territory	0	0	244	1,366,789
Alberta	5	1,428	1,438	126,369
Northwest Territory	1	17,778	265	243,703
Saskatchewan	2	0	298	193,991
Manitoba	5	352	207	4,489
Ontario	7	2	292	1,464
Quebec	0	1	231	2,229
Newfoundland	0	2	121	8,377
New Brunswick	2	0	230	289
Nova Scotia	0	0	220	227
Prince Edward Island	0	0	18	15
National Parks	1	1	82	171,873
Total	37	19,564	5,364	2,298,559

RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska	2	7		5	2	4			28	87
Northwest	17	19	1	80	10	16			315	239
Northern California	3		4		1					
Southern California	9	16	20	76	3	4			2	38
Northern Rockies	23	2	48	19	17	2	1		25	2
Eastern Great Basin	15	1	9	7	9	3	1		167	20
Western Great Basin	4		3		2				6	4
Southwest	2									
Rocky Mountain	4		10	6		1			2	
Eastern Area	2								43	6
Southern Area			2	2					5	3
Total	81	45	97	195	44	30	2	0	593	399

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